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AMENDMENT & REPLY TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Madam/Sir :

This submission is responsive to the Non-final Office Action mailed November 18, 2008.

A Petition for Two-month Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(2) is submitted herewith, to extend the time for reply through April 20, 2009 (April 18th being a Saturday).

No additional fees are believe to be due. Nonetheless, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number **09-0528**.

Amendment to the claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks regarding this submission begin on page 7 of this paper.

Conclusion begins on page 21 of this paper.